ACUPUNCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING APRIL 27, 1999

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. B. Chung, OMD; Guan-Yuan Jin, OMD; Fred Sheppard,

DC; Carol Hemersbach

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roy Apker; Timoteo Galvez, MD; Gerald Brillowski;

Marcia BonDurant, RN; Kathi Drake; Judy Frydenlund;

Susi Hassert, CA; Arthur Rapkin, OMD

LEGAL COUNSEL: None present today

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania; Karen Rude-Evans; Myra Shelton

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:26 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: J. B. Chung moved, seconded by Guan-Yuan Jin, to approve the

agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: J. B. Chung moved, seconded by Guan-Yuan Jin, to approve the

minutes of January 19, 1999. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY CUMMINGS

Secretary Cummings was not available today.

SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

This item is for information only.

DISCUSSION OF A STATE ADMINISTERED EXAM

Barb Showers discussed the issue of developing a state examination for acupuncture. There must be sufficient reasons to develop and require a state examination, and any new requirements may have to go through the legislative process.

Dr. Showers stated that English proficiency and competency are two different issues, and we must make sure that we do not exclude those who are capable. The NCAAOM is given

in English, Chinese and Korean languages and tests competency. There are exams in place that test English proficiency. They are TOEFL (Test Of English as Foreign Language), TOWE (Test of Written English) and TOSE (Test of Spoken English). Both the PT Board and the Medical Examining Board utilize TOEFL for foreign trained applicants.

CHAPTER RL8: ADMINISTRATIVE WARNINGS

This item is for information only.

1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 4

A public hearing will be held on this bill. Rep. Schneider's secretary will contact J. B. Chung with the date and time. Secretary Cummings has stated that the department and the committee are not taking a stance on this bill, but committee members are free to testify on their own behalf.

CORRESPONDENCE

This item was for information only.

OTHER COMMITTEE BUSINESS

The committee members decided to cancel the July meeting. The next meeting will be in October.

ADJOURNMENT

<u>MOTION:</u> Carol Hemersbach moved, seconded by Fred Sheppard, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.